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## **SUPPORT Senate Raised Bill: *Raised Bill No. 207***

### ***AN ACT CONCERNING FUNDING FOR A LYME DISEASE PREVENTION AND EDUCATION PROGRAM.***

Dear Distinguished Members of the Committee on Children:

I am in full support of the Raised Bill #207; ***AN ACT CONCERNING FUNDING  
FOR A LYME DISEASE PREVENTION AND EDUCATION PROGRAM*** for the  
*following reasons:*

I have experienced firsthand or observed in your business/community the devastation that tick-borne diseases cause

I believe selecting the BLAST program, with a six-year track record of success, is the right message to roll out statewide

I support community-based education as an important step in the effort to reduce the incidence of Lyme/Tick-Borne Diseases in CT and encourage early diagnosis

I wish to support this CT Dept. of Public Health effort as it is the first bill of its kind introduced to fund community-based prevention statewide for Lyme/Tick-Borne Diseases

Very truly yours;

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